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E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: US-ISRAEL RELATIONS

1. I VERY MUCH APPRECIATED RECEIVING YOUR MESSAGE WHICH ARRIVED PRIOR TO MY 1700 MEETING WITH ABBA EBAN. WE HAD GOOD DISCUSSION ON SUBJECT OF CONVOY AND MILITARY MEETING, MUCH OF WHICH NEED NOT BE REPORTED, SINCE IT ONLY WOULD REPEAT INFO ALREADY AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON, AND I HAVE SENT DEPARTMENT TELEGRAMS ON OTHER SUBJECTS.

2. EBAN EMPHASIZED UNPRECEDENTED NATURE OF DIRECT MEETING BETWEEN ISRAELI AND EGYPTIAN REPS AND NOTED THAT ISRAEL WOULD PLACE ON THE "CEASEFIRE AGENDA" SUBJECTS OF POW'S AND THE MARITIME BLOCKADE. HE ALSO NOTED THAT GOI AGREEMENT TO ALLOW CONVOY TO PASS THROUGH IDF LINES TO THIRD ARMY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED "ONE TIME THING." CABINET WILL MEET TOMORROW TO ASSESS RESULTS OF THE MEETINGS AND TO DISCUSS "WHERE WE GO FROM HERE."

3. SUBSEQUENT TO MEETING WE WERE INFORMED BY SENIOR MFA AIDE THAT DUE TO VARIETY OF "MISHAPS" MEETING NOW SCHEDULED FOR MIDNIGHT LOCAL TIME AND CONVOY SCHEDULED
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SIMULTANEOUSLY TO BE CLEARED THROUGH IDF ON WAY TO THIRD ARMY. WE HAVE ALSO JUST LEARNED FROM UPI TICKER THAT DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN HAS JUST MADE PUBLIC STATEMENT CONCERNING THIS WHOLE SUBJECT.
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